

B1 reduced breeding efficiency during the next stage. These, in turn, then result in large economic losses.

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Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 14, line 12, with the following text:

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B2 A simple method for determining the effectiveness of anion regulators has been shown to be the measurement of urinary pH. If a DCAD value is positive, the urinary pH is 7 - 8.5. It is also known that if an anion regulator is added, and as a result the feed is changed to show a negative DCAD value, the urinary pH of animals to which such feed has been fed is reduced and will show a value of 6.5 - 5.5 when the anion regulator has been added in an appropriate amount. Refer to HOARD'S DAIRYMAN (1995), Sep., 634.

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#### REMARKS

Claims 5-17 are pending in the present application.

The amendments to the specification serves to correct a minor typographical error and is in no way intended to alter the scope of the specification. No new matter is believed to have been entered by virtue of the present amendment.